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TASK FORCE ON POVERTY ALLEVIATION AREA DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME
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Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Planning Commission had constituted a task force during the Ninth Plan for suggesting various measures to strengthen, improve and streamline Poverty Alleviation Area Development Programme for rural areas of the country;

(b) if so, the details of the recommendations made by it; and

(c) the extent to which these have been implemented?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STATISTICS & PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTAITON, MINISTER OF STATE MINISTRY OF PLANNING MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY AND MINISTER OF S THE DEPARTMENTS OF ATOMIC ENERGY AND SPACE (SHRI S. B. MOOKHERJEE)

(a) to (c): No Task Force was constituted by the Planning Commission during the Ninth Plan for suggesting measures to strengthen, improve and streamline poverty alleviation area development programme for rural areas of the country. However, a Committee to Review and Rationalize Centrally Sponsored Schemes for Poverty Alleviation and Employment Generation was set up under the Chairmanship of Member, Planning Commission in February, 1997. The Committee submitted its report in April, 1997. The recommendations with regard to the rural poverty alleviation programmes have been suitably incorporated in the existing schemes.